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OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY.

No PAPER TO-MORROW.—As all business is to be suspended to-morrow out of respect to the memory of the Chief Magistrate of the Nation, no paper will be issued from this office to-morrow evening.

The News.

Secretary Seward's condition is still reported favorable. He has been informed of the President's death, and of the attempt upon his own life and that of his son, and was profoundly shocked thereat. The assassins are still at large though \$20,000 are offered for their apprehension. Fred Seward has recovered his consciousness, and some hopes are entertained of his recovery. A Washington paper states that a regular conspiracy existed to assassinate every member of Mr. Lincoln's Cabinet, including the Vice President.

It is stated upon what seems to be good authority although not officially announced, that the rebel Johnston has surrendered his whole force to General Sherman. The rebel Lyon is said to have also surrendered. Lee turned over about 20,000 men to Gen. Grant. Our loss since the first attack on Petersburg and Richmond began, is set down at 10,000. Gold closed at 45 1/2.

Joy Turned to Mourning.

President Lincoln lies cold and stiff in his coffin at the White House. In the prime of life, in perfect health, when just entering upon the second term of his high office after passing through four years of terrible civil war, he is struck down by the bloody hand of an assassin. The death of a great and wise ruler is a sad event in the history of any people at any time, but when the fierce storms that lie in ambush on the great deep, carry the ship on to an iron bound coast amidst the hungry breakers, to lose the experienced captain overboard then, is indeed a dire calamity.

No wonder that one cannot think or talk of anything but the tragic death of Abraham Lincoln. The last thought at night and the first in the morning is connected with our sad national bereavement. Every paper that we take up is draped in mourning, and every pen and tongue seeks to give expression to the sorrow that all feel but which none have the power to tell. The whole sad occurrence seems like the frightful phantasm of some horrid dream, too shocking for reality, and which we hope will pass away on the morrow. The tears we shed are not for Abraham Lincoln—not for his memory nor his fame, for

his death fills the climax of glory. He went with his old stride, from glory to glory. But it is for the American people and the country that so much needed his services in their critical fortunes, that patriotic hearts are filled with grief. "Follow now, as ye list." The first morning to-day in the nation—where father is taken away! Not for him—who has died full of honor and glory! For the stars on his banner, grown suddenly dim. Let us weep in our sorrow, but weep not for him! For he has gone—his work is done. Let us weep for the country that has lost its star. From the cloud at the top he has stepped to the sky!"

An Awful Wish Gratified.

The rebel sympathizers at the North have much to answer for in the way of prolonging this cruel war, and are not altogether innocent of Mr. Lincoln's blood. During the last Presidential election, the editor of the La Crosse Democrat deliberately put the following fearful wish in type: "If Lincoln is re-elected to re-mingover for the next four years, we trust that some bold hand will pierce his heart with a dagger point for the public good."

The Beaver Dam Argus, another copperhead sheet, justified the above infamous declaration of the La Crosse Democrat, and added: "History shows several instances where the people have only been saved by the assassination of their leaders, and history may repeat itself in this country. The time may come when it will be absolutely necessary that the people do away with such rulers the quickest way possible." Thus it will be seen that J. Wilkes Booth is not the only assassin that had murder in his black heart, but that he has merely struck the blow that others suggested and encouraged. When leading editors coolly advise the assassination of the constitutionally elected officers of the government, the reckless and daring hand will easily be found to lift the dagger or pull the fatal trigger.

The only personal attack ever before made upon a President of the United States was during the presidency of Gen. Jackson. The President was descending the steps of the capitol when he was approached by a man by the name of Lawrence who apparently intended to kill him. Lawrence proved to be a lunatic and was discharged upon that ground.

Our New Post Office.—Postmaster Burgess is entitled to the thanks of the entire community for the very happy change he has effected in the location of the post office. In the place of a cramped and inconvenient room, the present one is large and commodious. In short it is a credit to the place, while the old site wasn't much.

It has been estimated by the city assessor of Richmond, that the loss by the recent fire there, ordered by Breckenridge and Ewell, will reach the enormous sum of \$30,000,000. It includes dwellings, stores, tobacco, cotton, &c.

Trees of the New England states, New Hampshire, Vermont and Rhode Island, have a Governor Smith.

It is said that Forney, of the Washington Chronicle is about to establish a newspaper in Richmond.

The Janesville Gazette.

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CITY AND COUNTY.

A DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER.

The State of Wisconsin.—By James T. Lewis, Governor.—A Proclamation.

It becomes my painful duty to announce to the people of this State the mortal and terrible intelligence of the death of Abraham Lincoln, late Chief Magistrate of the nation.

No man could have played the nation into more profound sorrow.

A great and good man has fallen a victim to the wicked rebellion that has ever been seen. The pride of the nation is no more.

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THE OBSERVANCE OF TO-MORROW.

The Programme of Exercises.

At a meeting of the citizens held in the Common Council Room this afternoon to take measures for the proper observance of the day set apart for the funeral of the President, on motion of John R. Bennett, Esq., Mr. Alexander Graham was called to the chair and E. S. Barrows appointed Secretary.

On motion of Hon. J. C. Sloan, it was resolved that we have a procession.

On motion of H. Richardson, it was resolved that the Masons, Odd Fellows, Sons of Temperance and all other civic societies be invited to join the procession with such insignias of their respective orders as they may deem appropriate for the occasion.

On motion, it was resolved that the citizens of Janesville and Rock county be invited to join in the procession and take part in the exercises of the occasion.

Upon motion of Dr. Treat it was resolved as the sense of this meeting that we recommend in accordance with the proclamation of the Mayor, that all places of business and all saloons be closed from 10 until 2.

Upon motion of John R. Bennett the chair appointed the following persons as committee of arrangements: John R. Bennett, J. C. Sloan, H. Richardson, Dr. Treat, J. T. Wright, E. S. Barrows and S. J. M. Putnam.

On motion of J. C. Sloan the chair appointed the following persons to act as Marshals: James Sutherland, R. B. Treat, Dr. Robinson, S. J. M. Putnam, S. Holdrege, Jr., and Dr. Whiting.

On motion the chairman was added to the above.

E. S. BARROWS, Sec'y.

Order of Procession.

The Committee of arrangements recommend the following order of the procession:

Military Escort.

Band.

Marshals.

Clergy in attendance.

Pall bearers.

Hearse.

Mayor and Common Council.

Firemen.

Societies.

Citizens.

At the funeral services in honor of the memory of President Lincoln to-morrow, at Hyatt House Hall, no gentleman will be admitted to the Hall, except in the procession.

The procession will form on the corner of Court and Main streets at 10 o'clock a. m., so that it will be ready to move at 11 o'clock precisely.

It is hoped that all citizens of Rock county, who may receive this notice will, as an expression of their profound sorrow for the great loss which has fallen upon the nation, join in the ceremonies to-morrow.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.—The members of the several companies comprising the Fire Department of this city, will meet at their several houses at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, for the purpose of joining in the procession and attending the funeral services of President Lincoln.

S. FORD, JR., Chief Engineer.

April 18, 1865.

SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.—The Board of School Commissioners for this city, consisting of Messrs. Thompson, Jones, Holdrege, Pendleton and Dearborn, met this forenoon and organized by the choice of O. J. Dearborn for President, and B. F. Pendleton for Clerk, for the ensuing year.

In accordance with orders from the Post Master General, the Postoffice will be closed between the hours of 11 a. m., and 3 p. m., during the funeral service of the President.

J. M. BURGESS, Post Master.

WATER WITCH No. 2.—There will be a special meeting of this Company at the Engine House this evening at 7 o'clock. By order of the Foreman.

J. C. SPENCER, Sec'y pro tem.

April 18, 1865.

The gentlemen appointed to act as Marshals to-morrow, are requested to meet at the store of James Sutherland this evening, at 7 o'clock.

By ORDER.

GERALD HANCOCK, in the Post Office, has LINCOLN mourning badges.

General Order 118.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF CLOTHING, JANESVILLE, WIS., April 17, 1865.

1. Persons residing in Janesville and vicinity in want of clothing, are requested to repair at once to the Union Clothing House, Myers Block, Main street, and then and there purchase whatever goods you may need in their line.

2. Our motto is quick sales and small profits.

3. Prices to suit the times.

4. We are receiving our spring stock which was bought at panic prices, and must be sold to give satisfaction to purchasers.

5. Our stock comprises, in part, coats, pants, vests, shirts, hats, suspenders, trunks, &c., &c.

(Signed) ARNOLD & CO.

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PITTSBURGH, PA.

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COMMON COUNCIL.—An adjourned meeting, and the last one of the old Council, was held last evening, the Mayor presiding. Aldermen Bates, Burnham, Fredendall, Graham, Jackson, McDougall and Smith being present.

After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting a number of accounts were handed in and referred to the finance committee.

Report of the Clerk of the Board of Education was placed on file.

The bonds of the various city and ward officers were presented and approved.

Alderman Bates made a report of the amount of poll tax of the 2nd Ward collected and the manner of its expenditure.

An order was passed confirming the contract with C. G. Williams, Esq., as City Attorney for the ensuing year.

The finance committee reported a final settlement with the City Treasurer to April 1st, 1865, and that they found his annual report to be correct.

The rules were suspended and the account of Thomas Thornton, against the 2d Ward, amounting to \$63.21, was allowed.

A number of bills were reported on favorably by the finance committee, and orders were directed drawn.

Alderman McDougall was authorized to serve notices to resident owners on River street in the 4th Ward, to build sidewalk according to the plan and specifications on file, within 20 days from date of said service. Also that a like notice be served on owners of lots on Holmes street, in said Ward.

An order introduced by Alderman Jackson was passed, to pay from the general fund, \$50 to A. M. C. Smith for rent of ground for Hook and Ladder House.

The account of S. Ford, Jr., City Treasurer, for fees, was allowed.

On motion of Alderman Jackson, the chief engineer of the fire department was directed to procure and keep a book in which all orders for disbursements for the fire department shall be entered, and it was further ordered that no disbursements be made for the fire department until the necessity for the same be examined by the chief engineer.

On motion of Alderman Bates the following resolution was introduced:

Resolved, That this Council desire to express to its presiding officer, Mayor Mitchell, their appreciation of the able and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of the chair during the past year.

During its pendency, the Mayor called to the chair Alderman Burnham, President of the Council, when Alderman Graham remarked in substance as follows:

Mr. President.—I cannot allow this resolution to pass without expressing my entire approval of the sentiments therein contained. During the time I have had the honor of being a member of this Council, I can bear testimony to the able and impartial manner in which the duties of the Chair have been discharged. Uniformly kind, the Mayor has done much to make all our duties agreeable and pleasant. Certainly he has my best wishes for his future happiness and success. I will only add here that the otherwise irksome duties of Alderman have been rendered tolerable and pleasant not only by the uniform kindness of the Mayor, but by every member of this Council.

At the close of Mr. Graham's remarks Alderman Jackson took the floor, and spoke in substantially the same vein for a few moments, paying a happy tribute to the Mayor for the fidelity and ability with which he had discharged the duties of his office.

The resolution was then put and unanimously passed, when Mayor Mitchell spoke as follows:

Gentlemen of the Common Council.—

